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In response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) issued in connection with the above-identified application on May 25, 2000, a copy of which is enclosed as Exhibit A, applicants submit as Exhibit B a Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63. The Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date. In accordance with the Notice, the deadline for submitting the Declaration and Power of Attorney is July 25, 2000. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

The enclosed check for ONE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00) covers the surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) for submitting the enclosed Declaration for a non-small entity.

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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invite the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$130.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any other fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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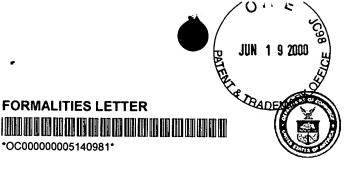
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

• The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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